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Sir:

By the filing of this Petition and fee, Applicants hereby request that the period for responding to the final office action mailed February 23, 2005 be extended one month from May 23, 2005, to June 23, 2005.

The statutory fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$120.00 for a one (1) month extension for a large entity. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

Authorization to charge the \$120 extension of time fee to counsel's deposit account is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

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